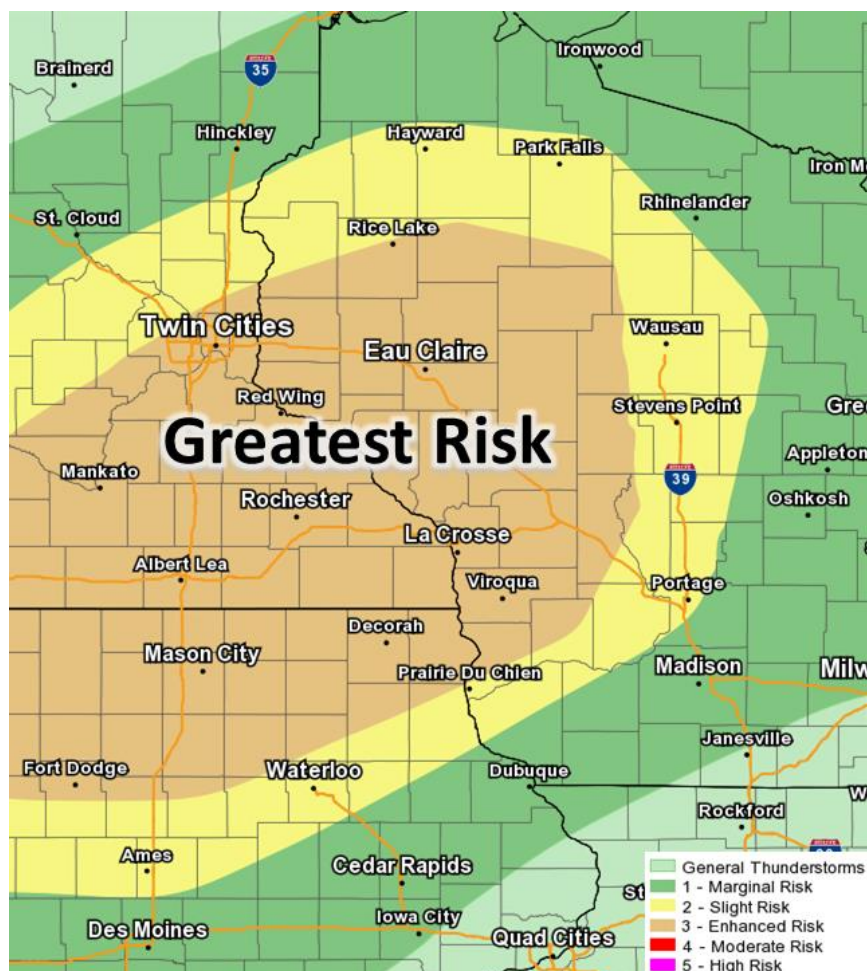




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Weather Message of the Day:

- **Flash Flood Watch through 1 PM Today for parts of northeast IA & southwest WI** – Some flooding ongoing.
- **Severe storms are expected to develop between 3 - 10 PM. Tornadoes will be possible, and may become strong.** In addition, there will be the possibility of damage from wind and hail.

Important Forecast Changes

- Flash Flood Watch cancelled for southeast MN and much of WI.
- **Tornado threat has increased.**

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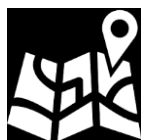


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Key Points



- Hazards:**
- Tornadoes – possibly strong
 - Wind Damage
 - Large Hail
 - Moderate to major flooding expected on the Turkey & Volga rivers in northeast Iowa.
 - Moderate flooding expected on the Grant and Platte rivers in Grant County in southwest Wisconsin.-



Areas Impacted: Entire Area



Timing & Duration: 3 PM – 10 PM



Certainty & Considerations:

- Medium confidence that severe storms will occur
- Low to medium confidence that tornados will occur
- High confidence that flash flood threat is waning



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Know Where to Go *When Sheltering from a Tornado*



www.weather.gov/safety/tornado



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Every home, school, and business should have identified refuge areas in case of a tornado or other extreme storm. Do you know where you would go in the case of a tornado? Always go to the lowest floor of a sturdy building, toward the center of the building and away from windows. Find out more at www.weather.gov/safety/tornado



Weather Message of the Day:

- ***Monitor forecasts closely today.***
- ***Be ready to take quick action if a warning is issued or severe weather is sighted.***
- ***Now is the time to start planning.***

Tornado Quick Facts and Preparedness:

Quick facts you should know about tornadoes:

- are a violently rotating column of air that extends from the base of a cloud to the ground
- can develop rapidly, with little or no warning
- can move in any direction, often changing direction over their lifespan
- average forward speed is about 30mph but can vary from stationary to 70mph
- are most likely May through July in but can happen anytime of the year
- are most likely between 3pm and 9pm, but can occur at anytime
- are rated based on the damage that occurs on the Enhanced Fujita (EF) scale, ranging EF-0 (little to no damage) to EF-5 (total destruction)



Preparedness:

If the atmosphere becomes favorable for tornadoes, a **Tornado Watch** may be issued. A Tornado Watch means that any storm that forms in and around the watch area could produce a tornado and you should prepare to act if a warning is issued.

If a storm is about to produce a tornado, or if one is occurring, the National Weather Service will issue a **Tornado Warning**. If a warning is issued for your area, seek shelter immediately.

Shelter: Lowest floor, interior room of a permanent structure, preferably a designated storm shelter

NOT a shelter: A mobile home, car, highway overpass or under any bridge

For more information please see our Severe Weather Monitor page here:

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